



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. 10/798,495

Applicant: Geringer et al.

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Examiner: William Thomas Schröde

Customer No. 23935

Docket No. 744-27-035

Title: INTERCHANGEABLE LOCK OPERABLE IN FAIL SAFE AND FAIL SECURE MODES

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

The following is a response to the examiner's July 31, 2006 office action.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.